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Sir:

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This statement should not be construed as a representation that an exhaustive search has been made, or that there does not exist information more material to the examination of the present patent application. The Examiner is specifically requested not to rely solely on the material submitted herewith. It is further understood that the Examiner will review art of record in all 35 U.S.C. §120 priority documents.

Pursuant to 37 1.97(b)(4), this statement is being filed before the before the mailing of a first Office action and after a filing of a request for continued examination under 37 CFR §1.114. Accordingly, no fee is due in this regard.

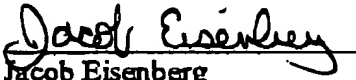
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It is respectfully requested that the Examiner initial and return a copy of the enclosed form and to indicate in the official file of this patent application that the documents have been considered.

It is Applicants understanding that no fee is due for this request. However, in the event that the Patent and Trademark Office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, Applicants petition for any required relief including extensions of time and authorize the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to Deposit Account No.: 502464 referencing docket no.: 1996P08661WOUS. However, the Commissioner is not authorized to charge the cost of the issue fee to the Deposit Account.

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